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High Cuban Government Official Is Executed by Firing Squad

FIRING SQUADS in Cuba yesterday executed the highest official of Fidel Castro's revolutionary government to be condemned to death since the overthrow of Batista in 1959.

Cesar Diaz Infante, Oriente Province director of the Internal Commerce Ministry, was shot in Santiago for being an alleged operative of the U. S. Central Intelligence Agency. His two-sub-chiefs, Francisco Linares Serrano and Saturnino Polon Pinere, received unspecified "stiff prison sentences."

Eight Cubans have been executed in the last eight days in a Castro crackdown on "CIA spies." Diaz was charged with providing the CIA with information for two years on military installations in Oriente, plus official food distribution data, and with deliberately snarling food and spare parts deliveries.